The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation do not monitor the implementation status of all irrigation projects. Irrigation projects are undertaken and monitored by the Ministry of Water Resources. This Ministry monitors implementation status of only those irrigation projects which are taken up under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), as implemented by the various State Governments.

Contribution of cattle industry to GDP

†2835. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the share of cattle industry in Gross Domestic Products is increasing continuously;

(b) if so, the percentage thereof in the beginning and at the end of the Tenth Five Year Plan; and

(c) the estimated number of people engaged in this sector, directly and indirectly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI G.K. VASAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The share of livestock sector in GDP was 4.8 per cent in the 1st year of Tenth FiveYear Plan (2002-03) and stands at 4.4 per cent in 2004-05 (the data available for the latest year). The Tenth Five Year Plan ends at 2006-07.

(c) The estimated number of workers in "farming of animals", as per the rates based on 60th round (January-June, 204) of the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) is of the order of 1.8 crore.

MPLAD scheme

2836. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether MPLDS is still useful and a popular scheme in the field despite the complaint of misuse by a few Members;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.